

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1225**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member De La Torre**

February 27, 2009

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An act to add Section 12018.5 to the Government Code, relating to energy efficiency.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1225, as introduced, De La Torre. Energy efficiency: federal funds.

Existing law authorizes the Governor to designate the agency responsible for each federal program in which federal money is given to the state, with the requirement that it be handled by a single state agency, except as otherwise provided by statute. Existing law requires that when the Governor designates an agency pursuant to this authorization, the Governor notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of the agency designated and the federal program for which the agency was designated.

Executive Order S-20-04 and the accompanying Green Building Action Plan established an interagency Green Action Team chaired by the Secretary of the State and Consumer Services Agency, with additional members being the Director of the Department of Finance, the Secretaries of Business, Transportation and Housing, Environmental Protection, Resources, Education, and a commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission.

This bill would designate the Green Action Team as being responsible for evaluating opportunities for the state to participate in, and benefit from, the energy-related programs of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and to coordinate the state's participation in

any federal energy-related economic stimulus programs and the distribution of moneys for energy efficiency and renewable energy programs to specified entities.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 12018.5 is added to the Government  
2     Code, to read:  
3     12018.5. The Green Action Team established as a result of  
4     Executive Order S-20-04 shall be responsible for evaluating  
5     opportunities for the state to participate in, and benefit from, the  
6     energy-related programs of the American Recovery and  
7     Reinvestment Act of 2009 and to coordinate the state's  
8     participation in any federal energy-related economic stimulus  
9     programs and the distribution of moneys for energy efficiency and  
10    renewable energy programs to electrical corporations and gas  
11    corporations, as defined in Sections 218 and 222 of the Public  
12    Utilities Code, local publicly owned electric utilities, as defined  
13    in Section 224.3 of the Public Utilities Code, the Department of  
14    Community Services and Development for the Low-Income Home  
15    Energy Assistance Program, the Department of General Services,  
16    the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development  
17    Commission, and local governments.

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